## April 19, 2002

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of	)	
Year 2000 Biennial Regulatory Review	)	<b>WT Docket 01-108</b>
Amendment of Part 22 of the Commission's	)	
Rules to Modify or Eliminate Outdated Rules	)	
Affecting the Cellular Radiotelephone Service	)	
And Other Commercial Mobile Radio Services	)	
In the Matter of	)	
Revision of the Commission's Rules to Ensure	)	CC Docket No. 94-102
Compatibility with Enhanced 911 Emergency	)	
Calling Systems	)	

## Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, William L. Ball, Vice President Public Policy, representing the OnStar Corporation, submits this notice in the above-captioned proceedings of an ex parte meeting on April 18,2002, with Blaise Scinto, Deputy Chief, Policy Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, and Mindy Littell, Andra Cunningham and Patrick Forster, Senior Engineer, also with the Policy Division. Also attending for OnStar was Walter Dorfstatter, Vice President Systems Engineering. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss embedded telematics and E-911.

As part of the discussions, it was explained that OnStar combines cellular communications with GPS technology and integrates them into the electrical architecture of the vehicle. OnStar's service offerings were reviewed including OnStar Personal Calling, Virtual Advisor and OnStar call center services including automatic crash/airbag deployment notification and other emergency services. OnStar's transition to digital technology was discussed. As a part of this discussion, it was noted that OnStar is currently an analog based service. More specifically it was noted that analog is the state-of-the-art for the transmission of data and voice on the same call because there is currently no standard or robust method in digital

networks to discriminate between data and voice on the same call.<sup>1</sup> This capability is required in offering automatic airbag deployment notification, emergency and other location-based services that are the cornerstone of OnStar's embedded telematics offering.

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>1</sup> This issue is described in more detail in the July 2, 2001 comments, August 1, 2001 reply comments and ex parte of March 28, 2002 filed by OnStar in FCC Docket No. WT 01-108.